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Dear Ms. Hunter:

You ask whether certain information is subject to required public disclosure under the Open Records Act, chapter 552 of the Government Code. Your request was assigned ID# 118136.

The City of Georgetown (the "city") received a request for a certain arrest report. You state that the city released to the requestor a copy of the front page of the offense report. *Houston Chronicle Publishing Co. v. City of Houston*, 531 S.W.2d 177 (Tex. Civ. App. -- Houston [14th Dist.] 1975), *writ ref'd n.r.e. per curiam*, 536 S.W.2d 559 (Tex. 1976). You assert that the remaining portions of the report are excepted from disclosure based on sections 552.101 and 552.108 of the Government Code.

Section 552.101 excepts from disclosure information made confidential by law, including information deemed confidential by statute. Section 58.007(c) of the Family Code makes confidential juvenile law enforcement records. The report is a law enforcement record concerning a juvenile offender. We therefore conclude that the city must withhold the information from the public based on section 552.101 of the Government Code in conjunction with section 58.007(c) of the Family Code.

We are resolving this matter with this informal letter ruling rather than with a published open records decision. This ruling is limited to the particular records at issue under the facts presented to us in this request and may not be relied upon as a previous determination regarding any other records. If you have questions about this ruling, please contact our office.

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Kay Hastings".

Kay Hastings
Assistant Attorney General
Open Records Division

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Enclosures: Submitted documents

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(w/o enclosures)